

1. A New Year Means a New Beginning for God's People (12:1-2)

2. The Passover Lamb
 - a. Selecting the Lamb: The Lamb as Part of the Family (12:3-5, 21)

 - b. Sacrificing the Lamb: The Death as a Substitute (12:6, 21)

 - c. Applying The Blood of the Lamb: The Blood as a Sign (12:7, 22)

 - d. Eating the Meat of the Lamb: Partaking of God's Provision (12:8-11)

3. The Faith and Obedience of Israel (12:27b-28)

Reflection Questions (for personal reflection and family conversation):

1. Why was it necessary for Israel to sacrifice a substitute in order to escape God's judgment in this plague?
2. What is the significance of the blood of the lamb?
3. How does this first Passover point forward to Jesus Christ, our Passover lamb?
4. How do Christians continue to remember and celebrate the Passover meal?